

Elvis A. Warthen, U.S. Army Air Force; George F. Cooper, U.S. Army; John Crisp, U.S. Army; Warren L. Goold, U.S. Army; Kenneth C. Holgate, U.S. Army; Willard W. Miller, U.S. Army; James E. Smith, U.S. Army; Donald Thiel, U.S. Army; Erhard H. Ulrich, U.S. Army; Dale W. Jackson, U.S. Marines; Howard E. Wells, U.S. Marines; Charles W. Anglin, U.S. Navy; Oliver C. Hardy Jr., U.S. Navy; Clayton E. McCormick, U.S. Navy; Richard S. McLaughlin, U.S. Navy; Richard W. Miller, U.S. Navy; Douglass O. Nicholson, U.S. Navy; Marvin T. Rogers Sr., U.S. Navy; Charles B. Salt, U.S. Navy; John Stuart Sherbeck, U.S. Navy; Adelbert L. Taylor, U.S. Navy; Harvey A. Tofte, U.S. Navy; and Vietnam War veteran, Ronald K. Stogsdill, U.S. Air Force.

These 26 heroes join more than 98,000 veterans from across the country who, since 2005, has journeyed from their home states to Washington, D.C. to reflect at the memorials built in honor of our nation's veterans.

Mr. Speaker, each of us is humbled by the courage of these soldiers, sailors, airmen, and Marines who put themselves in harm's way for our country and way of life. As a nation, we can never fully repay the debt of gratitude owed to them for their honor, commitment, and sacrifice in defense of the freedoms we have today.

My colleagues, please join me in thanking these veterans and the volunteers of Honor Flight of Oregon for their exemplary dedication and service to this great country. I especially want to recognize and thank Gail Yakopatz for her tireless work as president of Honor Flight of Oregon.

HONORING MR. DANIEL J. TANN,
ESQUIRE

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2014

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the accomplishments of Mr. Daniel J. Tann, Esquire, who was born and raised in Philadelphia and has continued to work tirelessly as an "attorney for all generations." A graduate of LaSalle University and Drake University Law School, Mr. Tann has not only fulfilled his dream of founding his own law offices but has also worked as a tireless advocate for a number of social organizations in Philadelphia.

Mr. Tann began his illustrious legal career at Drake University, where he was named President of the local chapter of the Black Law Students of America, and was recognized in "Who's Who Among American Law Students." In 1985, he began practicing law in Philadelphia at Spear, Wilderman, Sigmond, Borish, Endy, and Silverstein, where he soon became the department manager of the general practice group. Later, he became the Senior Litigation Attorney with Gordon and Weinberg, P.C., and in January 2002, he fulfilled his personal dream when he founded the Law of Offices of Daniel J. Tan. He is involved in work with The National Bar Association, The Philadelphia Bar Association, The American Bar Association, The NAACP, Volunteers in Aid of Sickle Cell Anemia, the Gloucester County Minority Coalition, American Diabetes Foundation, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Philadelphia Boy Scouts of

America, and the Fair Housing Council of Southern New Jersey. Mr. Tann will be honored by the Marian Anderson Historical Society on May 31, 2014.

It is a privilege to recognize a person whose leadership and commitment have inspired and supported so many in our region. I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in commending Mr. Tann for his lifetime of service and dedication to Pennsylvania's First Congressional District.

HONORING CARLTON L. HIGHSMITH, 2014 RECIPIENT OF THE TORCH OF LIBERTY AWARD

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2014

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, today, friends, family and colleagues will gather to pay tribute to one of our community's most outstanding citizens. I am proud to stand today and join the Connecticut Anti-Defamation League as they honor Carlton L. Highsmith with the 2014 Greater New Haven Torch of Liberty Award.

Our communities would not be the same without the efforts of individuals whose work benefits our families and neighborhoods. Each year, the Connecticut Anti-Defamation League presents the prestigious Torch of Liberty Award to an outstanding leader in the community, recognizing their unique commitment and dedication. Carlton is a remarkable reflection of the spirit of community service. With extraordinary compassion and generosity, he has touched the lives of many throughout the Greater New Haven community.

A corporate executive turned successful business owner, Carlton is a reflection of the American entrepreneurial spirit upon which our nation was built. He founded Specialized Packaging Group in New Haven in 1983 and over the course of the next two decades led the company as it grew to employ 600 people with 11 locations across North America. Following its merger with Paperworks Industry Inc., Carlton stayed on as Vice Chairman of the Board until his retirement four years ago. He continues his involvement with the business and education communities as a member of the Board of Directors of First Niagara Bank, the Connecticut Center for Arts and Technology and the National Center for Arts and Technology. He also serves as the Vice Chair of Quinnipiac University's Board of Trustees, a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston's New England Economic Advisory Council. Co-Chairman of the Career Advancement Committee of the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission and a member of the Board of Visitors of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, his alma mater.

The difference Carlton has made in our community extends far beyond his professional contributions. Having served as Chair of I Have a Dream, Chairman of the Finance Board of the Dixwell Avenue Congregational Church, a Director of Achievement First, a Director of Amistad Academy Charter School, and a Trustee of Yale-New Haven Hospital, his generosity, compassion, and leadership has enriched the New Haven community—making it a better place to live, learn and grow.

Through his invaluable professional contributions and his unparalleled service to our community, Carlton has left an indelible mark on our community. Together with his wife, Leta, their children Alexis and her husband Ken and Jennifer and her husband Larry, it is my honor and privilege to stand today to join the Connecticut Anti-Defamation League and the New Haven community in paying tribute to Carlton L. Highsmith for his invaluable contributions. Every community should be so fortunate as to have such a selfless, dedicated individual who so willingly commits his time and energy to enriching the community and improving the quality of life for all.

TRIBUTE TO FREDDIE EDWARD SCAGGS

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2014

Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I submit these remarks to commemorate the life of Freddie Edward Scaggs of Salem, Virginia, who passed away on May 16, 2014.

Freddie was born in Troutville, Virginia, was a life member of the Boy Scouts, and served our country in the United States Navy. He was an active member of Salem Baptist Church, serving as an usher.

He also attended Barber School, mastering his craft before owning and operating Scaggs Barber Shop in Salem. Freddie loved cutting hair and developing relationships with his clients, doing so until a couple of months before his death. Freddie was loved by generations of customers, many of whom got their first haircuts from the gentleman barber and continued to do so even when he cut his schedule back to a couple of days a week. As one of his customers, I would vouch for Freddie's services but, more importantly, for his kind-hearted, grounded, and honest disposition.

Freddie is survived by his wife of 61 years, Lena Inez Scaggs; daughter, Nancy Scaggs Canfield; two sons, Douglas Edward Scaggs and wife Jill, John Mark Scaggs; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

My thoughts and prayers go out to Freddie's family and loved ones. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

RECOGNIZING RUTH CLAPP ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2014

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the career and retirement of Ruth Clapp, a loyal public servant to the constituents of Washington's Ninth Congressional District dating back to the 1990s.

As a Member of Congress, the importance of a strong caseworker staff cannot be understated. Often times, when constituents have exhausted all other avenues they call their Congressional representatives for help. For caseworkers, these constituent contacts are unique in nature, necessitating short turnarounds and requiring a discerning mind.